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SUBJECT: CCD CO-CHAIRMEN'S MEETING, MARCH 3, 1975

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SUMMARY: CCD CO-CHAIRMEN'S MARCH 3 MEETING WAS HIGHLIGHTED
BY (1) USSR DESIRE FOR NEARLY CONCLUSION OF COMMITTEE'S
SPRING SESSION; (2) GENERAL SOVIET AGREEMENT WITH BASIC
US IDEAS ABOUT NUCLEAR-FREE ZONE STUDY; (3) INDICATION
THAT AT LEAST INITIALLY SOVS MAY NOT PRESS HARD ON
ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION; (4) NO SOVIET REACTION TO LACK OF
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US MOVEMENT ON CW; AND (5) CONTINUED SOVIET MANEUVERING

ON QUESTION OF REPLACING UNSYG'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO CCD.

1. DETAILS. US AND USSR CCD REPS MARTIN AND ROSHCIN HELD CO-CHAIRMEN'S MEETING MARCH 3, DAY PRIOR TO CONVENING OF COMMITTEE'S SPRING 1975 SESSION. CONVERSATION FOCUSSED LARGELY ON PROCEDURAL-ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECTS OF CCD'S WORK.

2. SPRING SESSION DURATION: ROSHCIN STRONGLY STATED "PERSONAL" VIEW THAT CCD SHOULD WIND UP SPRING SESSION PREFERABLY APRIL 3 BUT NO LATER THAN APRIL 10. HE BASED THIS ON NEED FOR SUBSTANTIAL INTERVAL BETWEEN END OF CCD AND BEGINNING OF NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE MAY 5. WHEN MARTIN COMMENTED THAT OTHER CCD MEMBERS MIGHT WANT LONGER SESSION, ROSHCIN EXPRESSED THOUGHT THAT MANY WOULD ALSO BE MOTIVATED BY ABOVE REASON TO KEEP IT SHORT. ROSHCIN SUGGESTED THAT SHORTENING OF SPRING SESSION COULD BE COMPENSATED BY "CONDENSING" CCD'S WEEKLY SCHEDULE, E.G., TO THREE RATHER THAN PRESENT TWO FORMAL MEETINGS. DISCUSSION OF THIS POINT ENDED WITH CO-CHAIRMEN AGREEING TO CONSULT OTHERS BEFORE DEVELOPING FIRM PROPOSAL. (COMMENT: WE SUSPECT THAT ROSHCIN WOULD READILY SETTLE FOR APRIL 10 BUT WOULD STRONGLY RESIST ANY LATER CLOSING DATE. HE SEEMED GENUINELY CONCERNED ABOUT NEED FOR SUBSTANTIAL INTERVAL BETWEEN CCD AND REVCON.)

3. NFZ STUDY: MARTIN SAID US SAW MOST HOPE AND NEED FOR PROGRESS AT SPRING SESSION IN CONNECTION WITH ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR EXPERTS' STUDY OF NFZS. DRAWING ON INSTRUCTIONS AND TACTICS PAPER, HE NOTED BASIC US VIEWS THAT STUDY WAS PROPER SPHERE OF POLITICAL RATHER THAN TECHNICAL EXPERTS AND THAT EXPERTS' GROUP MUST BE KEPT TO MANAGEABLE SIZE. ROSHCIN AGREED GENERALLY WITH BOTH POINTS. ON FORMER, HE SMILINGLY SUGGESTED THAT SOVIET AND US EXPERTS "WERE PROBABLY SITTING AT THIS TABLE". ON LATTER POINT HE SAID GROUP COULD COMPRISE 12 CCD MEMBERS PLUS TWO NON-MEMBERS, FINLAND AND AUSTRALIA. HE SAID CO-CONFIDENTIAL

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CHAIRMEN SHOULD SEEK TO MANAGE ORGANIZATION OF EXPERTS' GROUP TO KEEP OVERALL NUMBER DOWN. WHILE STRONGLY ADVOCATING SAME OBJECTIVE, MARTIN CAUTIONED AGAINST CO-CHAIRMEN APPEARING TO EXERT TOO MUCH OVERT PRESSURE OVER PARTICIPATION, ADDING THAT THERE COULD BE DIFFICULTY IF MOST OR ALL CCD MEMBERS WANTED TO PARTICIPATE.

4. ROSHCIN APPEARED TO ACCEPT THESE POINTS, BUT

THOUGHT LIMITATION EFFORT SHOULD NEVERTHELESS BE MADE. HE REVISED HIS INITIAL SUGGESTION UPWARD TO INCLUDE FOUR WESTERN ALLIES, FOUR EASTERN ALLIES AND SIX TO MAXIMUM OF EIGHT NON-ALIGNED AMONG CCD MEMBERS, IMPLICITLY LEAVING THE NON-MEMBER QUOTA UNCHANGED. MARTIN SAW POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IN UNEQUAL GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF NON-MEMBERS, BUT CO-CHAIRMEN AGREED TO TRY THIS FORMULA OUT ON OTHERS AND CONSULT BILATERALLY AGAIN BEFORE END OF WEEK. (COMMENT: BEARING IN MIND THAT CCD SPRING SESSION MAY END APRIL 10 AND IN EFFORT TO CONVENE EXPERTS' GROUP ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION BEFORE THAT DATE, WE WILL SEEK EARLIEST POSSIBLE CCD AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURAL-ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES. HOWEVER, SUCH AGREEMENT MAY TAKE SOME TIME TO ACHIEVE.)

5. ENMOD: ROSHCIN VOLUNTEERED THAT SOVS HAVE NO INTENTION OF PRESSING ISSUE OF RESTRAINTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION UNTIL OUTCOME OF CURRENT US-USSR BILATERALS HAS BEEN DIGESTED. RESPONDING TO QUESTION, HE SAID HE DID NOT THINK IT NECESSARY TO TABLE USSR DRAFT TREATY FORMALLY, SINCE TEXT ALREADY BEFORE CCD VIA 1974 UNGA RES TO WHICH IT WAS ANNEXED. (WE DO NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY, HOWEVER, THAT SOVIETS MAY TABLE DRAFT AS SEPARATE CONFERENCE DOCUMENT.)

6. UNSYG'S SPECIAL REP: SOVDEL APPEARED UNINFORMED ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS IN MOSCOW (REFTEL). AFTER USDELOFF RECAPITULATED CURRENT STATE OF PLAY, INCLUDING US VIEW THAT PROSPECTIVE FINNISH NOMINEE HYVARINEN WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO US, ROSHCIN ASKED FLATLY WHETHER BANERJEE (INDIA) WAS UNACCEPTABLE. MARTIN REPLIED THAT HE WOULD REGRETFULLY SAY YES UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, DESPITE HIS REGARD AND RESPECT

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FOR BANERJEE. APPOINTMENT OF AN INDIAN WAS SIMPLY NOT INDICATED IN VIEW OF RECENT INDIAN NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENTS. ROSHCIN THEN SUGGESTED POSTPONING CONSIDERATION OF QUESTION PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM CAPITALS. MARTIN AGREED.

7. CW AND CTB: MARTIN BRIEFLY REVIEWED US POSITION, STATING WASHINGTON HAD TAKEN NO DECISION YET ON CW AND THAT OUR VIEWS ON CTB WERE UNCHANGED, AS HE PRESUMED SOVS' WERE. ROSHCIN CONFIRMED THIS AND HAD NO REACTION TO CW POINT.

8. MEETING ENDED WITH ROSHCIN EXPRESSING SATISFACTION OVER DISCUSSION BUT REITERATING NEED TO FIX TIME TABLE FOR EARLY ADJOURNMENT OF SPRING SESSION. ASKED WHETHER

THIS MIGHT BE OFFSET BY ADVANCE AGREEMENT TO RECONVENE
SOMEWHAT EARLY FOR SUMMER SESSION, ROSHCIN ANSWERED
AFFIRMATIVELY, SUGGESTING MID-JUNE. DALE

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